

United States Department of Agriculture

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Natural Resources Conservation Service

SUBJECT: NRCS Local Work Group Meeting – Columbia County

Hillsboro Service Center 1080 SW Baseline, Hillsboro, OR 97123 503-207-7949

FROM: Jessica Wells

WHEN: March 4, 2021, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: Online Zoom Meeting – Link will be sent Feb 26th

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) requests your attendance during the 2021 Washington County Local Work Group meeting. This meeting will help define the future conservation needs and priorities in Washington County as well as share our current focus. Your input is important to us to truly keep this a locally-driven effort. The Local Work Group provides suggestions to NRCS about where to prioritize local funding as made available from Farm Bill Programs.

Oregon NRCS has been developing implementation strategies to target important natural resource concerns throughout the state. We would like your input about where the priority conservation areas are in Washington County, which are the most important resource concerns, what conservation practices will address those concerns, and what kind of conservation work is actively occurring in the county.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please feel free to send another representative from your neighborhood or organization, or contact NRCS at (503) 207-7949, or e-mail iessica.wells@usda.gov to share your concerns and ideas. All Local Work Group meetings are open to the public, and we welcome everyone's participation. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact me by February 26, 2021.

Thank you in advance for your time, your participation, and your interest in conservation in Washington County. Due to COVID-19, we will be conducting this year's meeting virtually through Zoom Meeting. Please let me know if you or another representative will be attending and to get the login information for the meeting.

Sincerely,

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